

THE NEWS OF NORFOLK ON PAGES 2, 3 & 5.

THE SOLAR ECLIPSE.

THE PRESIDENT GOING ECLIPSE EXPEDITION.

But He Will Remain Aboard the Dolphin to View Eclipse.

A Letter From His Secretary Declining the Business Men's Association's Invitation—Exact Time of the Eclipse—Scientists Will Take Observations—Julian Hawthorne Coming.

President McKinley, whose intention to come to Hampton Roads on the U. S. S. Dolphin with Mrs. McKinley and a party of friends, among whom will probably be several high officials, to view the total eclipse of the sun on the morning of the 28th instant, day after tomorrow, was told of in the Virginian-Pilot several days since, will probably not come to Norfolk. The Dolphin may come into the harbor, so as to get within the line of totality of the eclipse, but the President and party will not accept the invitation of the Board of Trade and Business Men's Association to be its guests. This is shown by the following letter received yesterday by Secretary Dawes:

"Executive Mansion, Washington, May 24, 1900.

"Mr. E. E. Dawes, Norfolk, Va., Secretary Board of Trade and Business Men's Association:

"My Dear Sir:—Acknowledging the receipt of your favor of the 23d inst., I beg leave to say that on the trip to which you refer the President will probably not leave the boat, or if he does so, it will be for a very short time only.

"The President desires me, however, to express his sincere thanks for the courtesy extended to him by your association in its cordial invitation and tender of hospitality, which, I assure you, he very much appreciates.

"Very truly yours,

"GEORGE B. CORTEYOU,

"Secretary to the President."

EXACT TIME OF ECLIPSE.

Weather Observer Gray telegraphed to the Weather Bureau in Washington yesterday for the exact time of the beginning and ending of the eclipse, the time of its totality, etc. He received this reply:

BEGINNING OF ECLIPSE AT NORFOLK, 7:41 A. M.; BEGINNING OF TOTALITY, 8:53; DURATION OF TOTALITY, ONE MINUTE AND 30 SECONDS; END OF THE ECLIPSE, 10:15 A. M.

FOR SCIENTISTS EXCLUSIVELY.

Mr. Gray has received a letter from Mr. Lewis W. Ripley, of the Hartford Scientific Society, whose members are coming here to view the eclipse, asking that the scientists be given exclusive privileges on top of the Citizens' Bank Building, as there would be a large number of them with instruments to take observations. They want to secure some valuable data in connection with the phenomena, and with a crowd of outsiders their work would be interfered with. The request seems to be a reasonable one to Mr. Gray, and he regretfully announces that he will be unable to admit any one else to the roof.

JULIAN HAWTHORNE COMING.

Among the visitors of note who will come to Norfolk to see the eclipse is Mr. Julian Hawthorne, of New York, son of the famous author of "The Scarlet Letter." Nathaniel Hawthorne, Mr. Hawthorne is himself a writer of some distinction, and will write up the eclipse for the North American, of Philadelphia, John Wanamaker's paper.

GROUND BREAKING.

AND CONSECRATION SERVICE NEW CUMBERLAND STREET M. E. CHURCH.

The consecration service of the ground on which the new Cumberland Street M. E. Church, South, will be erected, will take place on the lot corner of Freemason and Cumberland streets next Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock, at which time ground will be broken for the new edifice. Rev. Sam P. Jones will be present, and will deliver the address on the occasion. He will also deliver his inimitable lecture on "The World As It Is, and the World As It Should Be" in the Cumberland Street M. E. Church at 8:15 p. m. Tuesday.

Bishop John C. Granberry will deliver an address at the old church Monday night at 8 o'clock, which will be replete with historical information in reference to the rise and progress of Methodism in this city and section.

Norfolk Machinists' Union.

Norfolk Machinists' Union, No. 11, met Thursday night and transacted much important business. There will be an important meeting next Thursday night, and it is hoped that all members will be present. New members are coming into the Union at every meeting. The Board of Directors of the Business Agency of the State of Virginia held a meeting at Richmond last Monday. The report then made showed a great increase in membership through the State.

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Norfolk and Western Railway Change of Schedule.

Effective May 28th, the Norfolk and Western railway will place in service a new train between Norfolk and Richmond, leaving Norfolk 9:25 a. m., arriving Richmond 11:45 a. m. Leave Richmond 3:15 p. m., arriving Norfolk 5:35 p. m. This train will consist of vestibule coaches similar to trains No. 21 and 22. my25-3t

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Mr. L. W. Ripley Writes About the Coming Event

For Readers of the Virginian-Pilot—The Expedition Sent By the Hartford Scientific Society to Norfolk—Mr. Ripley Writes About the Eclipse.

Mr. L. W. Ripley, in charge of the Hartford Scientific Society's expedition to Norfolk, writes as follows to the Virginian-Pilot:

"It is safe to say that never in the history of astronomy has a celestial phenomenon occurred which has awakened such popular interest as has the approaching total solar eclipse, which will occur in the forenoon of the 28th of this month. It is an event of such surpassing grandeur and rare occurrence that the interest which it has awakened is certainly well merited.

A large number of people will journey from all parts of the world and be distributed along the path than have ever before been gathered for the observation of any astronomical event whatever. If the observers are favored with a clear sky undoubtedly very much of scientific value will be learned, for never have the scientists been so well equipped to gather the utmost limit of value from instrumental observations.

"It may not be amiss to state the general facts in connection with the event. There are several total eclipses in a century, but inasmuch as the entire area over which one may be seen is only a very minute portion of the surface of the earth, it will readily be seen that the chances of seeing it twice in the same locality are very remote. For instance, it has been almost two hundred years since any portion of Great Britain has been in the path of a total eclipse, and the people of London have only seen one since the year 1100, and their descendants will have to wait until some time in the twenty-fifth century before they have another visit. The eastern portions of the United States will be touched by paths of totality in 1918, 1925 and 1959, the first crossing Florida, the second the northern corner of Maine, and the third through Massachusetts, but occurring so early in the morning as to be practically valueless, either as a spectacle or as affording opportunity for scientific observation. So it seems likely that those of us who live near the Atlantic seaboard and north of Florida should better make the most of the present opportunity. The laws of nature, which govern the occurrence of eclipses are so exactly known by astronomers that the circumstances of time, place, extent, etc., are very accurately determined for long periods of time.

A total eclipse of the sun is caused by the moon in its monthly journey around the earth coming squarely between the earth and the sun. This would occur, of course, every month if the moon revolved around the earth in the same plane as the earth revolves about the sun, but since the moon's orbit is inclined about five degrees to that of the earth, an eclipse can only occur when the sun is near the line where their orbits cut each other. While the new moon is always near the sun, it usually passes above, or below, it. Quite often it cuts off a portion of one side or the other of the sun, as it passes. Then we have a partial eclipse. These of course occur very often, there being about — partial eclipses in a century. But let not the serious mistake be made of confounding the two kinds of eclipses. So long as there is anything of the sun to be seen none of the phenomena which make the total eclipse so interesting are to be observed. It is only when the last ray of direct sunlight is cut off that the grand spectacle is to be viewed.

Let me quote from some of the prominent writers on astronomical matters. Sir Norman Lockyer says: "It is one of the most sublime sights given to the eye of man. A total eclipse of the sun is one of the most impressive sights that nature offers to the eye of man." (Prof. Simon Newcomb): "The grandest celestial phenomenon in which the eye of man has ever rested." (Prof. Pickering, of Harvard.)

It will be seen that we may reasonably expect to enjoy the sight of a lifetime. Of course we may be defeated by an obscured sky or a stray cloud, but the chances are largely in favor of a clear sky. The sun will be about halfway between the eastern horizon and the zenith, and its location among the stars could hardly be better. It will be in the constellation Taurus, about halfway between the well-known groups of stars "the Pleiades" and "Hyades." It is interesting to note that the star Alcyone in the Pleiades is rated as exactly of the third magnitude, and Aldebaran in the Hyades is the only star in the heavens rated as exactly of the first magnitude.

The question is often asked: "What may we expect to see?" For the first hour and a quarter the black body of the moon will be seen slowly creeping over the face of the sun, gradually cutting off its light. The darkness increases so gradually, however, that scarcely any difference in the usual light will be noticed until totality approaches. The narrow crescent of the sun will now grow rapidly shorter and thinner. Just a few moments before it is entirely obscured a person stationed at an elevation may notice wavy bands of light and shadow moving across the face of the ground, or, sides buildings. These are the mysterious "shadow bands," as they are called. It is not known what they are or what causes them. It seems likely that if there cause is ever discovered it will be by experiment with artificial sources of light.

Just as the last vestige of the sun is about to disappear, the portion visible is seen to break up into a number of small patches of light. These are called "Bailey's Beads," after the name of an early observer. Some suppose this phenomenon to be the result of the irregular outline of the edge, or "limb" of the moon. Others claim that the "Beads" are regularly arranged on either side of a central point. This would, of course, not be true, if they were caused by the interposition of the tops of a mountain chain. The question is still open for solution. At this

point occurs what is said by most observers to be the most impressive phenomenon of all, namely, the approach of the black shadow of the moon (or umbra) across the landscape. It rushes upon the observer like a mighty black cyclone, coming in this instance up from the southwest at the rate of more than twenty miles a minute. Old observers confess to a feeling of awe at its approach, and an involuntary tendency to "dodge" as its blackness envelops them.

As soon as totality comes on, or, in other words, when the observer is immersed in the full shadow of the moon ("umbra"), the show is fully on, and the previous scene must be improved. The most noticeable feature is how the beautiful "corona," or halo of pearly light surrounding the obscured sun. It is usually of irregular shape, resembling brushes of light radiating from the sun in all directions, and is usually more extended in the direction of the sun's equator. In the present case, its greatest extension will probably be to the right above the sun, and to the left below it. Careful observers will probably also notice the "prominences" or red flame-like projections from the edge of the sun's disc. These are really immense flames of incandescent hydrogen, extending sometimes to a height of more than two hundred thousand miles above the surface of the sun. The stars above the third magnitude can now be seen dotting the sky, and we may notice perhaps that the air is a little colder. By the time we have noticed these few things, the probability is that the light from the other side of the sun will be upon us, and the great event will have passed. Fortunately, indeed, may we consider ourselves if the sky has been clear, and if we really have seen any of these beautiful phenomena. The time is so very short, only one minute and 30 seconds at Norfolk, that we must make the most of every precious second. The first contact, or beginning, of the partial phase will be at 7:41 Eastern standard time, at Norfolk; totality will begin at 8:53; last contact, or the close of the eclipse, will occur at 10:15. Let us all hope for a good day.

L. W. RIPLEY.

DIVINE SERVICES SUNDAY.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHES.

First Church, between Holt and Cove streets—Preaching by the pastor, Rev. Edward Mack, D. D., at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Children's Day service at 5 p. m. Address by Rev. Dr. C. E. Grammer, of Christ Episcopal Church. Westminster prayer meeting at 7:15 p. m. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m.

Second, Freemason, near Boush—

Preaching by the pastor, Rev. J. Ernest Thacker, at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.; morning subject, "The Ascension"; evening, "God is Love." The session will meet at 10:40 a. m. Sunday for the reception of members. Park Avenue, Brambleton—Preaching by the pastor, Rev. E. B. McClure, at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.; Sunday-school, 9:30 a. m.

Colley Memorial, Atlantic City—Preaching by the pastor, Rev. C. W. Maxwell, at 11 a. m. and 7:45 p. m.; Sunday-school, 9:30 a. m.

Park Place—Preaching by the pastor, Rev. George W. Lawson, at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.; Sunday-school, 9:30 a. m. Lambert's Point, Shenandoah avenue—Preaching by the pastor, Rev. C. D. Gilkerson, at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.; Sunday-school, 9:30 a. m.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL.

Epworth, corner Freemason and Boush streets—Preaching by the pastor, Rev. A. Coke Smith, D. D., at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.; Sunday school at 9:30 a. m.

Cumberland, between Holt and Cove streets—Preaching by the pastor, Rev. H. E. Johnson, D. D., at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.; Sunday-school, 9:30 a. m.

Queen, corner Pulaski and Queen streets—Preaching by the pastor, Rev. S. C. Hatcher, at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.; revival services at night; Sunday school at 9:30 a. m.

Centenary, corner Boush and Queen streets—Preaching by the pastor, Rev. R. M. Chandler, at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.; Sunday-school, 9:15 a. m.

McKendree, corner Clark and Claiborne avenues, Brambleton—Preaching by the pastor, Rev. W. R. Proctor, at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.; Sunday-school, 9:30 a. m.

Trinity, corner Malby and Corpey avenues, Brambleton—Preaching by the pastor, Rev. George Wesley Jones at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.; Sunday-school, 9:30 a. m.

McKendree Mission, East Brambleton—Sunday-school, 3:30 p. m.

Lek's Memorial, corner Camp avenue and First street, Atlantic City—Preaching by the pastor, Rev. Graham H. Lambeth, at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.; Sunday school at 9:30 a. m.

Huntersville, Johnson avenue—Preaching by the pastor, Rev. Daniel T. Merritt, at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Epworth League at 4 p. m.

Lambert's Point, Bowden's Ferry road—Preaching by the pastor, Rev. John W. Carroll, at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.; Sunday-school, 9:30 a. m.

Park Place Mission—Sunday-school, 4 o'clock p. m.

CHRISTIAN.

Memorial Temple, corner Cooke and Tunstall avenues—Preaching by the pastor, Rev. J. P. Barrett, at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.; evening subject, "Seventh Dayism." Sunday-school, 9:30 a. m.

LUTHERAN.

First, Charlotte, between Granby and Brewer streets—Preaching by the pastor, Rev. J. E. Shenk, at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.; Sunday-school, 10 a. m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST.

Freemason, between Bank and Brewer streets—Preaching by the pastor, Rev. Ben C. Herr, at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.; Sunday-school, 9:45 a. m.

CHRIST SCIENTIST.

First, Public Library building, corner of Granby street and College Place—Services at 11 a. m.; subject, "God the Only Cause and Creator." Sunday school at 9:30 a. m.; Wednesday evening meeting at 8 o'clock.

Housework Was Too Much.

Manchester, Va., May 21, 1900.—Mrs. James Johnson, of this place, states that in the spring she was feeling very bad, and continued to grow worse until she could not do her housework. She began taking Hood's Sarsaparilla, and it gave her relief.

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BROTHERHOOD B. L. E.

Another Big Convention Will be Held In Norfolk.

The Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers Will Hold Their Next Convention Here—A Three Week's Session—About Two Thousand Visitors Are Expected.

The next national convention of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, which is now just ending a three-weeks' session in Milwaukee, Wis., will be held in Norfolk.

The convention is one of the best that a city could secure, since it will draw a crowd of probably 2,000 people or more, who stay not for three or four days, but for about three weeks. The value of this convention to Norfolk may be realized when it is known that Memphis, Tenn., was willing to put up \$50,000 to secure it.

The conventions of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers are biennial. The next convention will be held in Norfolk in 1902, about two years from now.

HOW IT WAS SECURED.

Norfolk secured this convention with but little effort, which shows what she could do by making efforts to get conventions. It was principally through the efforts of Mr. A. M. Cousins, of the Norfolk & Western railroad, that Norfolk secured the convention. Mr. Cousins is a delegate to the Milwaukee convention from the locomotive engineers. He holds some office in the organization. The matter of bringing the convention here was not mentioned before Mr. Cousins reached Milwaukee. After he got there and saw several other cities struggling for it he determined to work for Norfolk. He wrote to President Hudgins, of the Board of Trade and Business Men's Association, and several telegrams passed between them with the result that yesterday Mayor Johnston received the following telegram from Milwaukee:

"Was successful in winning the B. of L. E. convention for Norfolk. Let Col. Hudgins know. A. M. COUSINS."

THE CORRESPONDENCE.

Below are presented extracts from a letter sent to President Hudgins, of the Business Men's Association, by Mr. Cousins, which are interesting as giving some idea of the size of the convention, etc.:

"I beg to ask you to wire me if you can, and at once, if the hotels will give our people rates, and what rates, at first-class fare in every respect. I would advise you to see Mr. Stokes at the Monticello, as it would be probable that we would make our headquarters there if we should get the convention. Also let me know if our city would furnish a hall to meet in, say three to four weeks. It would take either the Academy or the old opera house, to hold us. There would have to be hall provided for the Ladies' Auxiliary, as they meet in the same town and at the same time, say four to five hundred strong. Our delegates to the B. of L. E. here number 507. This says nothing of the visiting brothers and sisters to each order, which would double both orders. I am sorry to say that we are somewhat late in asking for the convention, as several cities are making a desperate effort to get it. Memphis, I understand, will put up \$50,000 for it, but I find this is one serious objection at this time in the town paying the most, as we have had extortion practiced on us very badly by the hotels here. Nothing less than \$3 to \$3.50 per day at any good house. The hotels alone here put up \$8,000 for this convention, and this is why we are paying for it."

In his letter, Mr. Cousins says that a dozen cities were clamoring for the convention. Some of them were giving away souvenirs. Memphis, for instance, gave the delegates a souvenir pin with a diminutive bale of cotton on it. Mr. Cousins worked hard for Norfolk, with no help other than the assurance of the Business Men's Association. Norfolk to see that the convention was properly cared for it came here.

ENTERTAINMENT ASSURED.

When his first letter was received the hotel managers were conferred with, and they were enthusiastic in their assurance of co-operation in entertaining the convention. Suitable meeting places for the convention proper and the Ladies' Auxiliary, and plenty of amusements, excursions, etc., will be provided for the delegates and visitors free by the public spirited citizens of the city. That much was assured the convention by Colonel Hudgins in a telegram. There is no doubt that it will be done. It is estimated that the convention will leave \$20,000 in Norfolk.

The engineers travel to these biennial conventions on special Pullman trains furnished them at actual cost of running by the railroads, and they combine business with pleasure on these trips. Every city of any size in the union is generally represented at the convention.

HOW IT WAS SECURED.

The capturing of this big convention for Norfolk was largely brought about by Councillman A. M. Cousins, who is the District Chairman of the B. L. E. and Mayor C. Brooks Johnston. During the recent visit of Chief Arthur, head of the B. L. E. to Norfolk, Mayor Johnston became very much interested in the next convention of that organization. Mr. Johnston and Mr. Cousins held several conferences and interviews in the matter of securing the meeting for Norfolk. The result of their joint labors was to secure the convention for Norfolk, and these gentlemen are to be complimented on the zeal and energy they have shown in a matter of great importance to this city and section.

On receipt of a telegram from Mr. Cousins sent from Milwaukee, where the body is now in session, Mayor Johnston sent the following congratulatory message:

Norfolk, Va., May 25, 1900.

To A. M. Cousins,

Convention Hall, Milwaukee, Wis.,

Norfolk congratulates you most heartily on securing for Norfolk B. L. E. Convention for 1902. Your delegates may feel well assured that the Old Dominion will welcome them in her characteristic manner.

C. BROOKS JOHNSTON,

Mayor.

Milwaukee, Wis., May 25.—The Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers to-day completed the list of new officers by selecting J. C. Cousins, of Norfolk,

Va., as third grand engineer. Norfolk, Va., was chosen as the next convention city.

QUARANTINE LAWS.

MODIFIED SO AS TO HELP THE PORT OF NORFOLK.

The quarantine laws regulating the entrance of vessels to this port have been so modified as to work greatly to the good of Norfolk and Newport News. These ports are now placed on the same basis as Baltimore, Philadelphia, New York and other Northern ports. Heretofore vessels coming from the West Indies or from infected ports have been held at quarantine at Fisherman's Island, at the entrance to the Road's for four or five days, but now these vessels will be kept in quarantine for only two days and not that long if the quarantine officer believes that the vessel was properly disinfected before coming here.

Wedding Invitations.

Invitations have been issued to the marriage of Mr. James Adolphus Willard and Miss Edna Cleveland Ryals, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Morrison Farrar, the nuptials to be celebrated on June 6th, at 5 p. m., at the residence of the prospective bride's parents, No. 307 Duke street, this city. Mr. Willard was formerly connected with the Chicora Mills, of Norfolk, but is now a resident of Elizabeth City, N. C., which will be the future home of himself and intended bride.

Round Trip to Richmond \$1.

Sunday, June 3. Special fast train via N. & W.; stops at Suffolk and Petersburg. Leave Norfolk 8 a. m. Returning, leave Richmond 8 p. m. J. F. HERMAN, Mgr. my24,26,27,29,31,jul1&2

Tickets to roof Monticello Hotel to observe eclipse of sun, Monday, 28th, 50 cents each. On sale office of hotel. ma22-3t-eod

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REMOVAL NOTICE.

DR. POWHATAN S. SCHENCK

has removed his residence to 169 HOLT ST. Office to ROOMS 5 AND 6, WEST BUILDING, corner Main and Church sts. Old Phone No. 1223. ma20-4t

Lecture by the Noted Evangelist, Rev. SAM P. JONES.

Cumberland Street M. E. Church, TUESDAY, MAY 29, 8 P. M. Subject—"The World as It Is, and the World as It Ought to Be."

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